

ROMENIA MEETING

From the 15th to the 20th of May three students of our school went to Romania to present the last part of the Comenius project. The students' names were: Carles Borrás(4th ESO), Laura Campderrós(4th ESO) and Karen Codana(3rd ESO). The teachers who went with the students were: Pilar Belloc (English teacher) and Josep Grané (Art and drawing teacher).

Arrival day (Tuesday 15th of May)

We left Prat airport on the 15th in the morning.

The flight was really calm, without problems and it took three hours approximately.

We arrived in Bucharest at four o'clock in the afternoon. We were very nervous because we had never been in that country and we didn't know what was waiting for us, although the students who had been there two years before, had talked very well about their stay there.

There was a school mini-bus with Romanian teachers and students waiting for us. The Italian partners, who had arrived two hours before us, were there too. Then we began to talk with them and it took us three hours to reach Bucharest.

At eight we arrived in Brasov where we met our families.

Wednesday 16th of May

We had to meet all the people (teachers and students) in the school but what a big surprise! They had prepared a show for us. We enjoyed it very much.



When the show finished, we went to a classroom where we met the rest of students and teachers from the other countries. Then the presentation of the project began.



The Turkish, the Italian and the Romanian students could present their reports, but we didn't have time.

In our free afternoon we decided to go and visit the city and took some pictures.



At night, a Romanian student, Carles' mate, invited us to go to see the bears that lived in a mountain near the city and at night they went down to the city to look for food in the dustbins. When the Romanian student explained us that story, it sounded strange because we can only see bears in the zoo, so it was a really good experience. We went there by taxi and had to wait for a while but finally we could see them.

Thursday 17th of May

We went to school to finish the project presentation at nine o'clock. We went to the same room as the day before.

When we finished it, we took a bus to go to the water purification plant where the teachers and the people who worked there showed us the installations and how the plant worked.



When we finished the visit, the teachers went to have breakfast and we had free time. We had lunch at the University as every day.



In the afternoon we went with all the other students (except the Italians and the Turkish) to visit the city

At night we went to a karaoke without our teachers. They had a special dinner.



Friday 18th of May

That morning we met in a different place (not in the school) because we had to take a bus to Sibiu (the European cultural capital city this year).

In the middle of the trip, we stopped and visited the Brancovea Monastery. We spent all the morning there.



At lunch time we went to Sibiu (we had lunch in a restaurant).

After lunch, we went to see the weir where a Romanian guide explained us how it worked.

Later we went to see another purifying plant" Gura Raului" (smaller than the first one).



The rest of the afternoon we stayed in Sibiu trying to visit the city but it was raining, so we could visit few places.



We arrived home at eleven p.m.

Friday 19th of May

We met at the school again to conclude the project. Our coordinator, María Visa, gave a diploma to everybody (teachers and students), thanked us for our participation in the project and invited us to have a snack.



Then she also gave us two copies of the glossary with all the words translated into Catalan, Italian, Romanian, Portuguese and Turkish. In our free afternoon, we decided to go to Dracula's castle with our Portuguese, Turkish and Romanian partners.



We spent all the day there.



Then when we came back, we tried to plan our last night there. We decided to go to the city centre but at the end we stayed at home with the families because next day we had to wake up at three a.m.

Sunday 20th of May

At three a.m. we woke up.

At four we were in front of the hotel where our teachers stayed.

Then the worst moment arrived. It was the time to say goodbye to those wonderful and nice students and families who had taken care of us very well.

We looked at them with tears in our eyes. Some of them were crying too. We began to make promises about possible future meetings, but in our hearts something was telling us that in spite of our wishes, we would never see them again. Now we had the memories of those days, the e-mails of our friends and we are keeping in touch with them, with a promise to be fulfilled "To see them again".

Our conclusion:

This project has helped us to be more conscious of the importance of water in the world, to grow up, to know more about different cultures, to improve our English and the best thing for us, to meet people and stayed with them.

We hope to see them soon. Why not? Who knows?

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